

# ÖSTERREICHISCHER AEROCLUB Sektion **BALLONFAHRT**



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## AUSTRIAN BALLOONING REPORT 2009

Mr. President, dear Delegates!

The number of active pilots and hot air balloons in Austria is decreasing.  
At the time we have only 23 pilots in our national hot air ranking list.

Last year we had in Austria no accidents and no incidents.

The Austrian national championship took place the 2<sup>nd</sup> time in Mattsee, Salzburg with 18 competitors from Austria and 10 competitors from Czech Republic, Germany and Switzerland.

During the year there were 8 hot air balloon meetings and 1 para ballooning competition.

Our pilots participate in the World Air Games in Turin, the Europeans in Brissac, the World Balloon Trophy in Echternach and the Gordon Bennett Race in Geneva.

This year we will have the Austrian and German nationals together with 40 competitors in Waidhofen, approximately 100 km north-westerly from Vienna.

For further information, dates and places regarding balloon events in Austria please refer to our website [www.ballon-austria.at](http://www.ballon-austria.at) !

For 2010 I wish you always soft landings!